Objective 31: Reduce the proportion of children and adolescents who are considered obese

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Information, Facts, and Figures

Physical Activity Guidelines for Americans

Physical activity guidelines packet, including sciencebased guidance to help Americans improve health through physical activity.



The Community Guide— Increase Active Living Recommendations to increase physical activity and reduce obesity, a contributor to heart disease.



Prevent Childhood Obesity

Recommendations for actions to take to prevent obesity in children ages five and younger.



Prevent Obesity among People with Disabilities

Factsheet about obesity among people with disabilities and steps for prevention.



Personalized Tools

Body Mass Index (BMI)
Calculator—Child and Teen

BMI calculator for children and teens aged 2-19.



Promising Practices

<u>Playworks</u> Provides resources and information about Playworks, an

organization working to increase opportunities for physical activity and play among children.



Let's Move

The First Lady's Let's Move Initiative to reduce childhood obesity. Includes educational information and action plans for all audiences including: elected officials, schools, parents, children, chefs, restaurants and businesses.



National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute—Hearts N' Parks Guide and tool to promote cardiovascular exercise in local communities to reduce obesity and the incidence of death and disability from chronic disease.



Healthy Eating

Includes "My Plate" nutrition guidelines, tips, tools, and assessment for healthy eating.



School Wellness Policies

This U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and CDC sponsored clearinghouse can assist school districts with developing local wellness policies for physical activity and nutrition, and provides tools and resources for implementation, and un-reviewed sample policies.

